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Supervisor Biane Praises Economic Strategy for San Bernardino County

San Bernardino-On the motion of Vice Chairman Paul Biane, the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors formally received the <u>Economic Strategy for San Bernardino County</u> report by economist John Husing, Ph.D.

The report divided San Bernardino County into six economic regions-West-end, East Valley, Mountains, Victor-Valley-Barstow, Morongo Basin and Outlying Desert-and outlined an economic strategy for each specific region.

Additionally, the report also called for the creation of a single Economic Development Agency, which would be charged with implementing various economic strategies, keeping a solid pulse of the county's economic health, developing and maintaining a public relations arm to inform businesses of the opportunities in San Bernardino County as well as training the workforce among many other economic duties. The director of this agency would report directly to the County Administrative Officer.

"I have listened to Dr. Husing many times throughout the years about the economic health of the Inland Empire, and he has been right for a long time," said Supervisor Biane, whose district covers the West-end, the East Valley and

the Mountains. "It is always good to know the many opportunities and the great potential that is here in San Bernardino County."

"My staff, county staff and all of the Supervisors will continue to study what Dr. Husing wrote and will work to implement his recommendations."

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